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Hello,

Today I write you to express my dissatisfaction with the Proposed Final Judgement entered in the U.S. versus Microsoft anti-trust trial. In short, the proposed remedies do very little, if anything, to improve competition in the affected markets or ensure that the defendant cannot return to similar or identical anticompetitive behaviors in the future.

From my perspective, the Proposed Final Judgement is so flawed that it cannot usefully be amended to reflect the requirements imposed by the Sherman Act and the Appeals Court ruling. I feel that only by imposing much stronger restrictions on the defendant could a Final Judgement in this case approach an effective response to the abusive practices proven against the defendant in the trial.

Thank you,
Douglas N. Franklin